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SUBJECT: OPIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD

1. OPIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD FOR PRESENTATION BY AMBASSADOR BLACK TO COLONEL ACHEAMPONG TO BE SHIPPED ON PANAM FLIGHT #188 LEAVING NEW YORK 7:30 P.M. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, ARRIVING ACCRA 1:25 P.M. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6.

2. UNDERSTAND THAT CBS-TV WILL COVER FIRST FEW DAYS OF AMBASSADOR BLACK'S ACTIVITIES AND URGE THAT PRESENTATION BE MADE WHILE CAMERA CREW IS STILL THERE. ALSO SUGGEST THAT YOU NOTIFY ALL MEDIA OF PRESENTATION TIME AND PLACE TO GET BROADEST POSSIBLE COVERAGE. LET US KNOW DETAILS SOONEST. WILL SET UP CEREMONY AT THIS END TO PRESENTATION TO COMPANY TO BE MADE BY DANIEL PARKER, AID ADMINISTRATOR.

3. SUGGESTED REMARKS FOR AMBASSADOR BLACK WILL BE SENT TO YOU WITHIN A DAY OR TWO.

4. ALL NECESSARY CLEARANCES HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FROM KAISER, AND COMPANY IS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT PUBLICITY POSSIBILITIES. ASSUME MATTER HAS BEEN CLEARED WITH VALCO.

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5. PLEASE ADVISE EXACT DATE ON WHICH OPIC REPLICA AWARD
TO KAISER WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA. WE
WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE AT LEAST ONE WEEK'S NOTICE. ALSO
ADVISE IF CBS AND ABC PLAN TO COVER. KISSINGER

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